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## AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the text on page 25, following the table and beginning with superscripted number 1, as follows:

<sup>1</sup> HCV21-25--a positive control oligonucleotide having the sequence 5'-ACTCCACCATAGATCACTCCCCTGT-3'--(SEQ ID NO: 1)-<sup>2</sup> TAR25\_C--a positive control oligonucleotide having the sequence 5'-GGATACACTGACCAGCTACGATGAT-3'--(SEQ ID NO: 2)--

Please insert the attached "Sequence Listing" as separately numbered page 42 after the abstract.